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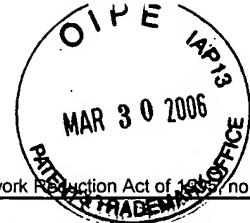
In re Application of:)
Ryo KURODA et al.) : Examiner: J. S. Ruggles
Application No.: 10/648,317) : Group Art Unit: 1756
Filed: August 27, 2003) : Confirmation No.: 3665
For: NEAR-FIELD PHOTOMASK AND NEAR-FIELD)
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PHOTOMASK (As Amended))

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent

Small Entity

Fee (\$) Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	
6	- 20 or (HP) = 0	x 50.00	= 0.00	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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